

Treasury Department  
March 8. 1836

Sir:

John M. Reeder visits Philadelphia, with an invention of his, which he esteems better than any hitherto known, to prevent the bursting of Steam Boilers. I wish you would examine his invention, and if you deem it proper, have his invention tested, and report to me its character and merits.

I am, very Respectfully,  
James Buchanan  
Secretary of the Treasury

Professor Roorh,  
Philadelphia -



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March 8<sup>th</sup>  
Jas Guthrie  
Washington  
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